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- On 1 May 1947, a pipe line 108 kms. long was put in operation to carry natural gas from the "Debowiec I" well, in the Cieszyn (Teschen) area just north of the Czechoslovak border, to Krakow. The pipe line follows the route Debowiec (Q50/Q89)-Bielsko (Q50/I88)-Oswiecim (Q51/Y74)-Chrzanow (Q51/Y84)-Krakow (Q51/-Z24).
- The drilling of the "Debowiec I" well began in July 1946, and gas was located at a depth of 369 meters in October of the same year. The present output of the well is around 100 cubic meters per minute at a pressure of 80 atmospheres. The gas is used for industrial purposes in neighboring towns and particularly in Krakow, where the output of the gas works is only 8 to 10 cubic meters per minute, an amount insufficient for industrial and municipal requirements.
- The discovery of large deposits of natural gas in the vicinity of Debowiec was the result of a geological survey carried out by the Centralny Zarzad Przemyslu Paliw Plynnych (Central Administration of the Liquid Fuel Industry) in much of the Cieszyn area.

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